

104th General Assembly – 2nd Regular Session 2006

Report on Public Chapters and Resolutions Affecting K-12 Education in Tennessee

Public Chapter Number	Senate & House Bill Numbers	Description / Action Required / Senate and House Sponsors	Effective Date	DOE Point of Contact
542	SB2658 HB3870	Allows students with diabetes to possess sharps on their person upon written request of parent or guardian. (S: Black; H: Armstrong)	4/24/06	Dr. Tim Webb
552	SB3379 HB3523	Requires public schools to provide children with a deployed parent in the United States Armed Forces to receive an excused absence from school on the day the parent is deployed and on the day of the parent's return from deployment. (S: Herron; H: Maddox)	7/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb
567	SB2656 HB3198	Makes provision for local education agencies to use local government procurement/purchasing procedures as an alternative to those prescribed by statute for education expenditures. (S: Ramsey; H: Vaughn)	5/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb
574	SB2674 HB2674	Requires tenured teachers who resign and subsequently return to the local education agency to serve a one-year probationary period before tenure can be re-established unless such probationary period is waived by the local board of education. (S: Ketron; H: Montgomery)	5/4/06	Dr. Christy Ballard
579	SB2898 HB2823	Allows the commissioner of education to grant a waiver from the statutory maximum class size provisions in the event of a natural disaster resulting in the enrollment of displaced students. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	5/4/06	Dr. Tim Webb
606	SB3216 HB2863	Deletes statutory provision whereby a teacher's tenure automatically terminates following his or her sixty-fifth birthday. (S: Cohen; H: Winningham)	5/4/06	Dr. Christy Ballard
634	SB2685 HB2794	Requires the commissioner of education, in consultation with the department of safety, to develop advisory guidelines for local education agencies to use in developing a monthly report for the purpose of informing high school of DUI related deaths of persons eighteen years of age or younger. Said guidelines to be in place by 1/1/07. (S: Cohen; H: Marrero)	5/12/06	Dr. Tim Webb
655	SB3038 HB2973	Requires the department of education to encourage teacher-training institutions to evaluate their programs leading to licensure to ensure that teacher candidates have the appropriate instruction in the teaching of reading. Notification to said institutions to take place by 7/1/07. (S: Harper; H: Cooper)	7/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb
664	SB3768 HB3736	Increases the amount of purchase where the local education agency is required to solicit competitive bids through newspaper advertisements from \$5,000 to \$10,000. (S: Ford; H: Stanley)	5/12/06	Dr. Tim Webb
675	SB3922 HB4043	Specifies that when the education of a child becomes the state's direct responsibility, the commissioner of	7/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb

		education shall pay to the state agency responsible for the child an amount equal to the state and local funds that would otherwise be expended on the child had the child not been in state custody. The Department, with the cooperation of affected state agencies, to develop procedures for implementation of this act. (S: Kyle; H: McMillan)		
680	SB2996 HB3025	Requires teacher assistants hired after July 1, 2006, to have a high school diploma or GED, and demonstrate proficiency in writing and reading skills. In the absence of the licensed teacher, a teacher assistant may assume responsibility for the classroom in lieu of a substitute teacher for up to three consecutive instructional days. (S: Herron; H: Maddox)	7/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb
682	SB3472 HB3819	Directs the Office of the Comptroller to conduct a study on the effectiveness of Tennessee's family life curriculum. (S: Herron; H: DeBerry, J.)	5/15/06	Bruce Opie
685	SB3113 HB3249	Makes provision for six pilot after school programs to assist at-risk students in preparation for ACT and SAT examinations. Pilots to be funded with unclaimed lottery winnings with two pilots in each grand division of Tennessee. Department to develop and disseminate applications for pilots to begin during the 06-07 school year. (S: Bowers; H: Brown)	5/18/06	Dr. Tim Webb
725	SB3134 HB3099	Requires the department of education to develop a plan to address health insurance cost disparities among local education agencies. The plan to be presented to the appropriate legislative committees on or before 2/1/07. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	5/19/06	Dr. Tim Webb
727	SB3125 HB3172	Allows local boards of education to make application to the commissioner of education for waivers of certain state board of education rules and regulations that inhibit the implementation of innovative programs designed to improve student achievement. (S: Woodson, H: Winningham)	5/19/06	Dr. Tim Webb
751	SB3610 HB3927	Removes the prohibition on Blount, Knox, and Sumner Counties from allowing the use of public school buildings and property in their respective jurisdictions for certain private benefit. (S: Black; H: Maggart)	5/23/06	Dr. Christy Ballard
755	SB3917 HB4038	Places blind children under the same compulsory attendance requirements as other children. (S: Kyle; H: McMillan)	5/23/06	Mr. Joseph Fisher
756	SB3918 HB4039	Prohibits local education agencies from denying admission to homeless children based on a lack of academic records or immunization records, thus aligning state law with federal statute. (S: Kyle; H: McMillan)	5/23/06	Dr. Keith Brewer
760	SB3193 HB3852	Deletes the requirement for notification of state textbook commission meetings to specific groups. (S: Woodson; H: Gresham)	5/23/06	Dr. Tim Webb
797	SB3085	Directs the commissioner of education to recommend to	5/26/06	Dr. Tim

	HB2935	local education agencies employment standards for school resource officers, to include eligibility and training requirements. Clarifies that local and state governmental agencies may contract with the Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents for services. Encourages public schools and local education agency offices to implement recycling programs. Department of Education to develop SRO standards and notify LEAs of said standards and recycling information. (S: Burks; H: Winningham)		Webb/ Bruce Opie
824	SB0824 HB0374	Urges the department of education to develop a curriculum for grades seven through twelve that increases students' awareness of teen dating violence and sexual violence. Department is urged to develop said curriculum by 7/1/07. (S: Finney; H: Harwell)	6/2/06	Bruce Opie
825	SB0963 HB0828	Authorizes local education agencies to display stickers on school buses directing drivers to remain at a distance of at least one hundred while the bus is in motion except when lawfully passing said bus. The Department of Safety is to develop standards for said stickers. (S: Norris; H: P. Johnson)	7/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb
848	SB3124 HB3197	Places municipal boards of education under the same rules as county boards with respect to contracting for the construction of school buildings, including the authority to negotiate with the lowest and best bidder to bring costs within the funds available. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	6/2/06	Dr. Tim Webb
850	SB3246 HB3123	Allows state employees with children enrolled in schools to take off up to one day a month, subject to departmental or supervisor approval, to participate in the educational program of said schools. Upon employee request, a school shall provide documentation verifying a state employee's participation. (S: Burchett; H: Brooks, Harry)	7/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb
854	SB3274 HB3753	Permits successful student participation in state board approved personal finance course to substitute for the required course in economics. Development of personal finance curriculum now in progress. (S: Black; H: Overbey)	6/2/06	Bruce Opie
869	SB2587 HB2587	Allows students receiving Tennessee HOPE foster child tuition grants attend eligible private, as well as public, postsecondary institutions. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	6/5/06	Bruce Opie
889	SB2586 HB2808	Establishes a commission on civic education to be attached to the department of education for the purposes of researching the current policies and practices in civic education at the state and local levels. The commission, appointed by the Governor and two Speakers, shall be appointed and meet no later than December 2006. The	6/20/06	Bruce Opie

		Department of Education will provide logistical support for the commission. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)		
895	SB2723 HB2807	Requires state board of education to provide a curriculum for alternative schools that ensures student success by using different learning strategies and techniques. Establishes an advisory council on alternative education composed of ten members, appointed by the governor, to advise and consult with the governor, the commissioner of education and the state board of education on issues or problems related to alternative education. By February 1 of each year, the advisory council is to make a report to the Governor and General Assembly on the state of alternative education in Tennessee schools. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	6/20/06	Bruce Opie
909	SB3149 HB3248	Requires schools to conduct a lottery scholarship day for students entering grades 9-12 and their parents for the purpose of informing them of the lottery scholarship requirements. Requires each high school to provide workshops on completing college admissions and financial aid applications for 10th through 12th grade students and their parents. Such workshops may be conducted in conjunction with the school's lottery scholarship day. The Department of Education shall receive from each LEA a report on lottery day activities before June 1, 2007, and before every June 1 thereafter. DOE findings shall be reported to House and Senate Education Committees by October 1 of each year. (S: Ford, O; H: Brown)	6/20/06	Bruce Opie
933	SB2883 HB2442	Requires that the department of education in conjunction with the department of health develop guidelines for the management of students with life-threatening food allergies. Specifies inclusion of training for school personnel, procedures for responding to life-threatening allergic reactions, process for the development of individualized health care and protocols to prevent exposure to food allergens. Requires each LEA to implement plans based on such guidelines by July 1, 2007. (S: Haynes; H: Moore)	6/20/06	Dr. Tim Webb
940	SB2682 HB2812	Requires 100% of unclaimed lottery prize money to fund Lottery Education After-School Program (LEAP) Grants to LEAs and not-for-profit organizations. The Department is presently in the process of expanding the program. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	6/20/06	Dr. Tim Webb
946	SB3040 HB3093	Establishes a pilot program to provide certified athletic trainers in public high schools. (S: Crowe; H: Winningham)	6/20/06	Bruce Opie
963	SB3914 HB4025	Appropriations bill. Makes appropriations for the operation of state government. (S: Henry; H: Fitzhugh)	7/1/06	Dr. Tim Webb
974	SB2683 HB2811	Increases HOPE scholarship award to \$3800 for students at four-year schools and \$1900 for students at two-year schools. Increases Wilder-Naifeh technical skills grant	6/27/06	Bruce Opie

		amount to \$1575. (S: Cohen; H: Winningham)		
977	SB2724 HB3720	Establishes lottery scholarship program to enable tenured public school teachers to obtain advanced degrees. Limits eligibility for such scholarship to teachers who will study and teach math or science. (S: Tracy; H: Winningham)	6/27/06	Bruce Opie
980	SB2981 HB3109	Allows students who have received Wilder-Naifeh technical skills grants to be eligible for Hope Scholarships. S: Bowers; H: Cooper)	7/1/06	Bruce Opie
1001	SB3991 HB3750	Requires school districts to implement 90 minutes of physical activity per week for students in grades K-12. Expands the Coordinated School Health Program to all school districts in the state. The Department of Education to provide technical assistance to LEAs during the 2006-2007 school year for implementation of physical activity requirement and coordinated school health program beginning with the 2007-2008 school year. (S: Herron; H: Fitzhugh)	6/27/06	Dr. Tim Webb
1002	SB3788 HB3791	Requires educational and athletic associations whose employees participate in TCRS to notify the board of trustees of reemployment of a retired member. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	6/27/06	Dr. Christy Ballard
1016	SB3919 HB4040	Changes the name of the division of vocational-technical education within the department of education to the division of career and technical education. Division of Career and Technical Education to effect needed changes. (S: Kyle; H: McMillan)	6/27/06	Mr. Ralph Barnett

Resolution Number	Description and Sponsor(s)	SDE Point Person
SR0120 HR0286	Approves revisions to components of the basic education program and directs the BEP Review Committee to develop a consensus recommendation on a system-level fiscal capacity model. (S: Woodson; H: Winningham)	Dr. Tim Webb
HJR1026	Establishes 2006 Education Summit of Tennessee for the purposes of evaluating the current educational delivery system and discussing strategies to increase the high school graduation rate, reduce the achievement gap, increase accessibility to higher education and propose	Dr. Keith Brewer

	educational programs that will prepare the next generation for the future workplace. (H: Brown)	
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